

**COMMITTEE MINUTES for
ADMINISTRATION AND REGULATION APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE**

Date: January 24, 2008

Place: Room 19

Convened: 1/24/2008
10:05 AM

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Adjourned: 1/24/2008
11:15 AM

Present: Senators Danielson-CH, Appel-VC, Hahn-RM, Stewart
Representatives Hunter-CH, Kelley-VC, Alons-RM, Drake, Gaskill, M., Jochum, Kressig,
Wiencek, Worthan

Absent: Senator Hartsuch

Excused: None

The Administration and Regulation Appropriations Subcommittee was called to order at 10:05 a.m. on January 24, 2008.

Roll was taken and quorum was present.

Department of Administrative Services Director Mollie Anderson appeared before the committee to present four issues of concern. The DAS appropriations for general operations of the director's office, the utilities budget, the I/3 distribution system, and the new I/3 Human Resources payroll system.

Anderson requested 80,000 dollars less than the previous year for general operations of the director's office, and assured the committee the 3.8 million dollars allotted for the utilities budget should be adequate.

Anderson also requested an additional 1 million dollars from the general fund for expenses relating to the I/3 system, and 427,000 dollars for costs associated with implementation of the new payroll system.

Chairman Danielson said that while the I/3 system efficiently uses tax payer dollars, DAS language does not sufficiently communicate the system's importance.

Gary Kendall, Director of the Governor's Office of Drug Control Policy, also appeared before the committee to address the program's budget.

Kendall said the program's 1.4 million dollar budget is essential for sufficient operation. Since 2004, the amount of cocaine and methamphetamines seized through the program equals approximately 14.1 million dollars, according to estimated street values.

Chairman Danielson requested the ODCP explore policies regarding legal use of the seized money to fund the program.

Senator Kelley moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

Senator Jeff Danielson

Joe Winn, Committee Secretary